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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application identified above.

☒ 5 sheet(s) of drawings (☐ formal ☒ informal) is(are) enclosed.☒ 45 page(s) of specification and 1 page(s) of abstract of the invention are enclosed.☐ An assignment of the invention to SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION ☐ is enclosed ☒ will follow.☐ An associate power of attorney ☐ is enclosed ☐ will follow.☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.☐ Declaration and Power of Attorney ☐ is enclosed ☒ will follow.☐ A certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 11-280825 filed September 30, 1999 from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 will follow.☐ IDS enclosed (☐ with reference(s)).☐ Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.☒ Return postcard is enclosed.

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A TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	23	-20	3	LG=\$18 SM=\$9	\$18	54
B INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE*	2	-3	0	LG=\$80 SM=\$40	\$78	0
C SUBTOTAL - ADDITIONAL CLAIMS FEE (ADD FINAL COLUMN IN LINES A + B)						54
D MULTIPLE-DEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE				LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$270 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$135		\$ 0
E BASIC FEE				LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$710 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$355		\$ 690
F TOTAL FILING FEE (ADD TOTALS FOR LINES C, D, AND E)						\$ 744
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